

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action's requirement for restriction, Applicants elect Group I, Claims 15-19 and 24-27, drawn to a method comprising using a magnetic field generator and sensing with a magnetic sensor element a magnetic property of a magnetic particle without traverse.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the currently-pending claims, as herein amended, clearly define statutory subject matter. Accordingly, allowance of the currently-pending claims is now respectfully submitted to be justified, and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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